### STATE OF INDIANA

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

#### **Executive Order**

# PROCLAMATION

To All To Whom These Presents May Come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, each year Indiana joins states across the nation in recognizing National Trails Day as a time

to reaffirm our commitment to the value and beauty of our trails and the landscape those

trails traverse; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of trail enthusiasts are expected to participate in a wide variety of

activities on public trails at more than one thousand nationally sanctioned Trails Day events

across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Hoosiers on the Move, the new Indiana State Trails, Greenways & Bikeways Plan, has an

ambitious goal of providing trail opportunities within 15 minutes or 7.5 miles of every

Hoosier; and

WHEREAS, Indiana's trails contribute to the goals of the INShape Indiana program by providing places

for Hoosiers to recreate and exercise, which may lower blood pressure, cholesterol levels, and stress, thereby reducing the chances of heart disease and cancer and contributing to a

healthier lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, a trail can serve as a means of alternative transportation, thereby reducing our dependence

on the automobile and improving the environment; and

WHEREAS, trails and associated greenways can provide wildlife habitat and serve as wildlife migration

corridors and opportunities for outdoor education; and

WHEREAS, trails activities bring together friends and family, enhance quality of life, boost tourism, and

stimulate economic development in Indiana; and

WHEREAS, June 2, 2007 is the 15th anniversary of National Trails Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim June 2, 2007

#### TRAILS DAY

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana at the Capitol in Indianapolis on this  $22^{\rm nd}$  day of March, 2007.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

ATTEST:

Todd Rokita Secretary of State